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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: CARUSO et al.

Appln. No.: 10/809,279

Filed: March 25, 2004

For: SEATING STRUCTURE HAVING  
FLEXIBLE SUPPORT SURFACE

Attorney Docket No: 3591-1378

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 3635

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### Attached is/are:

- First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate)
- Form PTO 1449
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### Fee calculation:

- No additional fee is required.
- Small Entity.
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- Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
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- The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

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**FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicants hereby cite the following reference(s):

U.S. PATENT NO.	ISSUE DATE	PATENTEE
4,993,164 A	02/1991	JACOBSEN
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Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2).

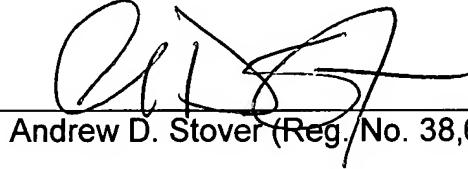
Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

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